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KIT, FIRST AID, FIELD, TROPICAL

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SOURCE: Tokyo, Japan.

IMPORTANCE: Not previously reported.

DESCRIPTION: This kit consists of a soft metal, sealed container, 12" x 8 1/2" x 16", with 3 metal loops for shoulder carrying straps. It contains 11 packages; 4 are marked "A", 4 are marked "B", and the remaining 3 are labeled "Rolled Bandages".

Each package marked "A" contains 2 sets of chop sticks (wooden), 4 rolls gauze (30 cm square), 4 rolls cotton bandage to be used as abdominal pads, and 1 safety pin. Each of these packages is wrapped in a muslin cloth, 30 inches square, which is to be used as a pressure bandage.

Each package marked "B" contains five 50 gm. packages of raw cotton.

Each package labeled "Rolled Bandages" contains 6 rolls of 2" bandages.

COMMENT: This kit evidently was made for tropical use as it is packed in a water-proof metal container. The lack of drugs of any kind in this kit makes it a poor first aid kit or possibly, it is one of a set of several similar kits, the others of which contain medicines.

This item is of interest because of the fact that it is



tropically packed, easily transported, and contains nothing but emergency field dressings.

Photographs: Fig. 1 Kit, closed, showing 1 each of its contents.



Fig. 1